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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
CALCUTTA SAILOR'S HOME.



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AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CALCUTTA  
SAILORS' HOME,

*Held within the Home, in Loll Bazar, pursuant to advertisement,  
on Thursday, the 30th March, at half-past 4 p. m.*

P R E S E N T :

SIR LAWRENCE PEEL,	CAPTAIN HANDLEY,
THE REVD. MR. FISHER,	E. DE VALBEZEN, ESQ.,
THE REVD. MR. HAMILTON,	C. HUFFENAGLE, ESQ.,
W. H. ELLIOTT, ESQ.,	D. C. MACKAY, ESQ.,
W. GREY, ESQ.,	COLIN CAMPBELL, ESQ.,
CAPTAIN DIVIE ROBERTSON,	T. C. OWEN, ESQ.,
CAPTAIN DICEY,	D. MACKINLAY, ESQ., AND
	F. ROGERS, ESQ.

SIR LAWRENCE PEEL in the Chair.

*The following Resolutions were carried unanimously :*

1st.—That the Report of the Committee for the past year, now submitted to the Meeting, be approved of, and that the same be printed and circulated.

2nd.—That the Building Committee be requested to continue their endeavours to effect an arrangement with as little delay as possible with the Proprietor of the ground in Loll Bazar referred to in the Report proposed to be the site for the new Home.

3rd.—It being shown by the Report that the Funds already collected are not sufficient to pay for the piece of ground referred to in the foregoing Resolution, and the estimated cost of building the new Home ; that a further appeal be made to the public when the ground is purchased, in the hope that it will subscribe readily and liberally, to the extent of Rs. 10,000 to 12,000 still required, to enable the Committee to complete the work, without any incumbrance.



**4th.**—That thanks are due to the Honorable the Court of Directors for their liberal contribution of Co.'s Rs. 10,000 to the Building Fund, and for their offer to continue the monthly allowance of Rs. 100 monthly, for the general purposes of the Institution.

**5th.**—That the following gentlemen be appointed a Committee for 1854, *viz.* :

Colin Campbell, Esq.,	The Revd. J. C. Herdman.
D. Cowie, Esq.,	The Revd. H. Hutton.
Captain Dacey,	The Revd. A. Hamilton.
John Deffell, Esq.,	Captain H. Handley,
W. H. Elliott, Esq.,	Daniel Mackinlay, Esq.,
W. Grey, Esq.,	R. Stuart Palmer, Esq.,
Captain H. P. Lovell,	T. C. Owen, Esq., and
Captain Divie Robertson.	

With power to fill up vacancies occasioned by death or by Members leaving the country.

**6th.**—That John Brown, Esq., be elected Secretary in the room of F. Rogers, Esq. resigned.

**7th.**—That thanks be voted to Sir Lawrence Peel for the unwearied interest which he continues to manifest in all that relates to the Institution.

## CALCUTTA SAILOR'S HOME.

### OBJECTS OF THE HOME.

THE objects of the Institution are,—to provide for Seamen frequenting the Port of Calcutta, Board and Lodging at a moderate charge ; to protect them from imposition and extortion ; to encourage them to husband their hard-earned wages ; to provide them, through the Superintendent of the Home, with a safe depository for their savings, and a medium of remitting the same with security to their friends at home ; to promote their moral, intellectual, and professional improvement ; and to afford them the opportunity of religious instruction. The Home is also a refuge for the shipwrecked and distressed mariner.

## CONSTITUTION.

I.—That this Society be designated

“THE CALCUTTA SAILOR’S HOME.”

II.—That it be under the management of a General Committee, elected from the body of Subscribers at a General Meeting, to be held in the month of *January* or as soon thereafter as the yearly accounts can be prepared.

III.—That all persons subscribing 25 Rs. per annum, or 200 Rs. in one sum, be members of the Society, and be entitled to vote at General Meetings.

IV.—That a House Committee be elected by the General Committee, for the domestic management of the Establishment.

V.—That the General Committee shall meet once in every month, on such day as it may fix as most convenient.

VI.—That the House Committee shall meet once a week on such day as it may fix as most convenient.

VII.—That a monthly visitor be appointed to inspect the daily operations, who shall report to the Home Committee every week.

VIII.—That notices of all propositions relating to new rules, important expenditure, &c., shall be given at the meeting held previous to the meeting at which the same are to be brought forward.

IX.—That all monies received by the Secretary, be deposited in the Bank of Bengal, in an account to be opened in the name of such Members of Committee as the General Committee may appoint; and that all cheques drawn on such account, be signed by the Members so appointed, without whose sanction, and the signature of the Secretary no payments for account of the Home shall be made.

X.—That the General Committee shall have power to make Bye-Laws from time to time, which shall be binding on the Officers, servants, and inmates of the Home.

# RULES AND REGULATIONS

## OF

### **THE HOME.**

1. Those *entering the Home* are desired to make application, in the first instance, to the Superintendent, who resides on the Premises, and whose duty it is to answer all questions put to him, regarding admission, obtaining employment, cashing Notes, &c.

2. *Bedding*.—Every man to bring his own bedding, which will be subject to the inspection of the Superintendent, with the view of seeing that it is clean before being admitted.

3. *Deposits*.—All money should be deposited at once with the Superintendent, whose receipt alone will make the Committee responsible.

4. *Advance Notes* to be cashed by the Superintendent for all steady Seamen, Inmates of the Home, at 1 anna and 6 pie per Rupee.

5. *A Registry or Shipping Agent* is connected with the Home, through whom all Sailors, whether Inmates of the Home or not, can be shipped, for the usual charge of one Rupee per man.

6. Should any inmate of the Home remain therein for twenty-five days, or refuse to ship himself, after having had three opportunities of doing so, such inmate will have to leave the Home, should the Committee not dispose of his case otherwise.

7. The following are the *Hours observed at the Home, viz.*

*Coffee.*—At  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 6 A. M.

*Breakfast.*—At  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 8 A. M.

*Dinner.*—At 1 P. M.

*Supper.*—At dusk or from  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 6 to 7.

*Prayers.*—At 7 A. M., for those who choose to attend.

8. The following are the *terms for Board and Lodging for Men and Officers, viz.*—

For each Man for Board, Lodging, &c., per day, ... 8 Annas.

For each Officer, for ditto, „ ... 1 Rupee.

9. The Superintendent is to provide meals for parties coming on shore on liberty or holidays, if notice be given the day before, at the following rates, *viz.*

For the Men—for Breakfast, Dinner and Supper to each, 12 Annas.

„ for Breakfast or Supper, ... .. 4 „

„ for Dinner, ... .. 6 „

For Officers—Breakfast, Dinner or Supper, each ... 8 „

N. B.—The Bill of Fare for each day of the week is annexed hereto.

10. No *Liquors* allowed to be brought to the Home; but Liquors will be supplied there at the Bar from 6 to 7 A. M. from noon to 2 P. M. and 5 to 9 P. M. on weekdays and in Sundays from 1 to 3 P. M. No trust given at the Bar.

11. The Superintendent, on a list being furnished of *clothing, &c.*, required, will supply inmates with them at the lowest and original cost of the articles.

12. All *accounts* to be settled weekly if required.

13. No party's effects to be removed from the Home until all his accounts have been settled.

14. No Gambling, Drunkenness, profane Swearing or insubordination of any kind allowed, while every kind of rational amusement, and order and sobriety are to be encouraged.

15. *Medical Attendance* when required, and every inmate reported *Sick* for three days, to be removed to the Hospital.

# BILL OF FARE.

## **Officers.**

Coffee, at 6½ A. M. daily.

**BREAKFAST, 8½ A. M.**

Sausages, Mutton Chops, Beef-Steaks, Fish, Eggs, Tea, Butter, Bread and Potatoes.

## **DINNER.**

*Sunday, 3½ P. M.*

Soup, Roast Geese, Roast Beef, or Pig, Fish Curry, Fowls, Pudding, Rice, Vegetables and Fruits.

*Monday, 3 P. M.*

Soup, Roast Mutton, Salt Beef, Ducks, Meat Curry, Rice, Fruits, Vegetables and Tart.

*Tuesday.*

Soup, Roast Beef, Fowls, Ducks, Fish Curry, Rice, Fruits, Vegetables and Tart.

*Wednesday.*

Soup, Roast Pork, Ducks, Potatoc-Chops, Meat Curry, Rice, Fruits, Vegetables and Tart.

*Thursday.*

Soup, Roast Mutton, Fish, Fowls, Cutlets, Ducks, Fish Curry, Rice, Fruits, Vegetables and Tart.

*Friday.*

Soup, Salt Beef, Fish, Fowls, Meat Curry, Rice, Fruits, Vegetables and Tart.

*Saturday.*

Soup, Roast Beef, Stewed Duck, Fowls, Potatoc-Chops, Fish Curry, Fruits, Vegetables and Tart.

**SUPPER, from 6½ to 7.**

Cold Meat, Tea, Bread and Butter.

## **Seamen.**

Coffee at 6½ A. M. daily.

**BREAKFAST, 8½ A. M.**

Sausages, Beef-Steaks, Stew, Fish, Rice, Eggs, Bread, Tea and Potatoes.

## **DINNER.**

*Sunday, 2 P. M.*

Roast Beef, Roast Pigs, Fish Curry, Sea Pies, Vegetables and Fruits.

*Monday, 4 P. M.*

Soup, Salt Beef, Roast Mutton, Meat Curry, Fruits and Vegetables.

*Tuesday.*

Roast Beef, Pigs' Heads, Meat Pies, Fish Curry, Sea Pies, Fruits and Vegetables.

*Wednesday.*

Soup, Salt Beef, Roast Mutton, Meat Curry, Fruits and Vegetables.

*Thursday.*

Roast Beef, Fish Curry, Pigs' Heads, Meat Pies, Sea Pies, Fruits and Vegetables.

*Friday.*

Soup, Salt Beef, Roast Mutton, Meat Curry, Fruits and Vegetables.

*Saturday.*

Roast Beef, Pigs' Heads, Meat Pies, Sea Pies, Meat Curry, Fruits and Vegetables.

**SUPPER, from 6½ to 7.**

Cold Meat, Stew, Potatoes, Bread and Tea.

## REPORT.

1. THE COMMITTEE of the Calcutta Sailor's Home, in presenting this their Sixteenth Annual Report, will briefly and simply state such facts as they conceive, will enable the friends and supporters of the Home to judge of the nature and extent of the operations of the Institution for the past year.

2. The following Comparative Statements shew in favor of the year just closed, viz. :

MEN.	Admitted.	Shipped.	Left.	Died.	Remaining on 31st December.
1852, .....	1419	1381	28	24	94
1853, .....	1433	1431	21	15	60
Increase, .....	14	50	0	0	0
Decrease, .....	0	0	7	9	34

### OFFICERS.

1852, .....	66	61	3	0	8
1853, .....	82	85	2	0	3
Increase, .....	16	24	0	0	0
Decrease, .....	0	0	1	0	5

### 3. Of the Men who left in these two years :

	1852.	1853.
There left without situations, .....	4	9
Without notice, .....	6	3
Expelled, .....	10	8
Obtained situations on shore, .....	8	1

#### AND OF THE OFFICERS :

There left without a situation, .....	1	1
Expelled, .....	1	0
Obtained situation on shore, .....	1	1

4. The total remaining on 1st January and admitted in the two years were :—

	1852.	1853.
Men, .....	1527	1527
Officers, .....	72	90

5. In the above statement the Committee do not include 201 men and 4 officers who passed their liberty days at the Home ; nor 255 men and 12 officers, not inmates of the Home, shipped through the Home Shipping Agent, in the course of the past year. From the limited accommodation of the



present Building many applications for admission had to be refused.

6. The Home has spent, in the course of the year, upwards of 900 Rupees in relieving the wants of Shipwrecked and Distressed Seamen.

7. The quantity of wine, beer and spirits consumed in the Home during the past year, consisted of 64 dozens of brandy, 3 dozens of gin, 7 dozens of port wine, 4 dozens sherry, 175 dozens of beer and 248 dozens porter ; being slightly in excess of the consumption of the previous year.

8. The Impress or Advance notes cashed at the Home in 1853 amount to Rupees 32,892, being Rupees 220 less than those cashed in the previous year ; but, on the other hand, the deposits have increased enormously—those for the past year aggregating Rs. 98,091, of which Rupees 52,235 were drawn by the depositors here, and Rupees 44,182 remitted, through the Agency of the Superintendent, on account of the depositors, to Europe. The Committee call attention to this fact with peculiar satisfaction ;—the entire deposits for 1852, which were larger than those of any previous year, having reached only Rupees 49,358, while the aggregate deposits of the 15 years the Home has been in existence (including 1852 but not 1853), do not amount to Rupees 3,40,000.

9. The following is an abstract of the receipts and expenditure for the past year :—

### RECEIPTS

For Board, Bar, and Fees for cashing advance

Notes, &c., .....	18,503	14	3
Subscriptions and Donations, .....	3,609	0	0
Godown Rent and Proceeds of Effects sold, .....	775	15	0
Contribution for Rent received from Government, ...	1,100	0	0
Impress Notes, .....	29,019	0	0
Outstanding for 1852 collected, .....	3,412	10	11
Total Receipts, .....	56,420	8	2

### EXPENDITURE.

For Bazar, Wine, Beer, &c., ... ..	11,515	0	3
Impress Notes Cashed, ... ..	31,202	12	0
Establishment, ... ..	3,133	1	6
Paid to account year's Rent, .....	2,800	0	0
Paid to Shipwrecked and Distressed			
Seamen, .....	940	1	6
Sundries for Printing, &c., .....	313	4	6
Paid sums due for 1852, ... ..	3,691	5	3
Total, ...	53,595	9	0

Balance in hands of Secretary in Bank

of Bengal on 31st December, ... 2,824 15 2

56,420 8 2

10. The above balance in hand has since been exhausted, by paying arrears of house rent, amount-

ing to Rs. 1,050; claims for Bazar, Wine, &c. amounting to Rs. 1,438-3-9; and for Establishment to Rupees 371, all due for the year 1853. In the Appendix will be found the claims unadjusted at the end of the year, and if all the sums under the head Receivable, be realized, there is exhibited (although leaving nothing in hand for actual current expenses) a small balance, on the year, *in favor* of the Home, which is an improvement on the preceding year, which showed a small balance *against* the Institution.

11. The Committee are sorry to have to observe that the Subscriptions and Donations for the year, of which a list is appended, exhibit a falling off of upwards of Rs. 600, as compared with those of 1852; and, believing that it may be of general interest, they give below a statement of the number of Subscribers and Donors; the amount of subscriptions and donations received; the number of Officers and men accommodated in the Home; the number of Ships, British and Foreign, (not including dhonies or small craft) entered inwards; the aggregate tonnage of, and the number of Seamen navigating, such Ships—in each year, from 1841 to 1853 inclusive:—

YEARS.	No. of yearly Subscribers and Donors.	Amount of Subscriptions and Donations.	No. of Men and Officers admitted into the Home.	No. of Ships entered inwards yearly.	Amount of Tonnage.	No. of Seamen being 5 to every 100 Tons.
1841, ... ..	207	11832	748	709	277527	13876
1842, ... ..	130	8819	1337	600	238923	11946
1843, ... ..	137	7060	1443	613	223275	11163
1844, ... ..	148	7777	951	610	253093	12655
1845, ... ..	145	7092	785	676	293477	14673
1846, ... ..	112	6332	999	678	282928	14146
1847, ... ..	105	4985	454	1067	298326	14916
1848, ... ..	78	3365	687	844	308901	15445
1849, ... ..	127	5796	973	977	332391	16619
1850, ... ..	92	5480	840	1051	376254	18812
1851, ... ..	77	4006	1221	875	420543	21027
1852, ... ..	86	4224	1599	744	391684	19584
1853, ... ..	60	3609	1611	778	353156	17657

12. The application to the Hon'ble the Court of Directors, through the Most Noble the Governor General, for a piece of ground to build a new Home upon, has been unsuccessful ; but the Court accompany their refusal with the offer of a contribution to the Building Fund, of Company's Rupees 10,000, for which munificent Donation the best thanks of all well-wishers of the Sailor's Home are due. The Court have also been pleased to direct the continuance of their Monthly Subscription of 100 Rupees, which, when the Donation was first alluded to, it was the intention to withdraw.

13. The Committee have not been able to find any eligible site for the new Home on the river-side. There are two pieces of ground, one in Cossitollah and the other in Loll Bazar, which the Members of the Committee, appointed to report upon them, consider to be the best vacant ground obtainable. But the price asked is more than the Committee can afford to pay.

14. The Building Fund at present consists of—

1.—Company's Paper deposited with the Government Agent for			
Company's Rupees .....	44,500	0	0
2.—A cash balance in the hands of the Government Agent of,...			
	1,110	8	1
3.—Balance in the Bank of Ben- gal, .....			
	1,411	0	4

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Making together, Rupees ... 47,021 8 5

15. The builder's estimate for a new Home is close upon Rupees 48,000, so that taking the Building Fund—between what is in hand, the Donation of the Court of Directors, and Subscriptions uncollected—to amount to, say, Rs. 60,000, there would be, after setting aside the above sum for the Building, only Rupees 12,000 in the hands of the Committee, to be laid out in the purchase of a site ; and for the cheapest of

the two sites in question not less than Rupees 26,000 is asked.

16. It is therefore manifest that until the Building Fund accumulates, by the interest being added to the principal, or until subscriptions are collected, by a further appeal to the public, there is no probability of the building of the new Home being commenced. If the Institution could secure a House of its own, the very large draw upon its resources now caused by House Rent would cease, and it might then become, as the Committee are anxiously desirous that it should be, self supporting as a Home, although as a *Charity*, or Asylum for Shipwrecked and Distressed Mariners, the Institution will need, as the Committee doubt not it will always receive, the liberal support of the public.

17. Through the kindness of their Proprietors, the Daily and Weekly Newspapers continue to be supplied gratuitously to the Home.

18. Prayers are read in the Home on two mornings of each week, by the Revd. C. Marshall Jackson, to such of the inmates as choose to attend. A Scripture Reader attends regularly as before, and the City Mission has manifested its care over the spiritual interests of the Sailor, by appointing one of its Agents to watch over the Home.

19. That the Home is calculated to be of essential service to Sailors, and that the Committee desire to render it increasingly valued and useful, will not, they believe, be disputed. They have above shewn, that, not merely for current expenses, but specially for the Building Fund, a large sum of money is now urgently needed ; and they trust that this renewed appeal to the generosity of the Public, who have in former times shewn so lively an interest in this Institution, will not be made in vain.

## No. 1.

*Subscriptions and Donations for 1853.*

	Subscriptions.	Donations.
Messrs. Allan, Deffell and Co., ... ..	0 0 0	100 0 0
„ Ashburner and Co., ... ..	0 0 0	100 0 0
C. Allen, Esq., ... ..	0 0 0	25 0 0
G. Allan, Esq., ... ..	0 0 0	5 0 0
Messrs. H. L. Boyle and Co., ... ..	25 0 0	0 0 0
„ Braddon and Co., ... ..	0 0 0	50 0 0
G. F. Brown, Esq., C. S., ... ..	100 0 0	0 0 0
The Revd. J. Blomfield, ... ..	10 0 0	0 0 0
Sir J. W. Colville, ... ..	100 0 0	0 0 0
Messrs. Colvin, Ainslie, Cowie and Co.,	250 0 0	0 0 0
„ James Church, Junior, and Co.,	50 0 0	0 0 0
„ Charles Nephew and Co., .....	16 0 0	0 0 0
„ Crooke and Grey, ... ..	0 0 0	100 0 0
W. H. Elliott, Esq., ... ..	50 0 0	0 0 0
Messrs. Eglington and Co., ... ..	0 0 0	100 0 0
„ Gillanders, Arbutnot and Co.,	250 0 0	0 0 0
„ Gilmore, McKilligin and Co.,	50 0 0	0 0 0
„ Gordon, Stewart and Co., ...	25 0 0	0 0 0
„ Gladstone, Wyllie and Co., ...	0 0 0	150 0 0
W. Grey, Esq., C. S., ... ..	25 0 0	0 0 0
H. C. Hamilton, Esq., C. S., ... ..	16 0 0	0 0 0
Captain H. Howe, ... ..	16 0 0	0 0 0
Messrs. Hamilton and Co., ... ..	16 0 0	0 0 0
„ Jamieson and Co., ... ..	0 0 0	50 0 0
„ Jardine, Skinner and Co., ...	250 0 0	0 0 0
„ Kelly, Campbell and Co., .....	25 0 0	0 0 0
„ Kelsalls, Hoare and Co., ...	25 0 0	0 0 0
„ Kettlewell, Drabble and Co., ...	0 0 0	50 0 0
„ James Lyall and Co., .....	100 0 0	0 0 0
Hon. Sir Lawrence Peel, ... ..	250 0 0	0 0 0
Hon'ble J. Lewis, ... ..	64 0 0	0 0 0
Carried over, Rs.,...	1713 0 0	730 0 0



	Subscriptions.	Donations.
Brought over, Co.'s Rs.,...	1713 0 0	730 0 0
Messrs. Livingstone, Dearman and } ...	25 0 0	0 0 0
Withers, ... .. }	0 0 0	150 0 0
„ Leach, Rawson and Co., .....	100 0 0	0 0 0
„ Mackillop, Stewart and Co., ...	8 0 0	0 0 0
R. Molloy, Esq., ... ..	0 0 0	25 0 0
Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie and Co.,	0 0 0	12 0 0
G. M., ... ..	0 0 0	10 0 0
H. Marshall, Esq., ... ..	0 0 0	8 0 0
A. B. Mackintosh, Esq.,... ..	25 0 0	0 0 0
J. C. Owen, Esq., ... ..	100 0 0	0 0 0
The Hon. B. Peacock, ... ..	25 0 0	0 0 0
Captain W. Poole, ... ..	25 0 0	0 0 0
Messrs. Purrier and Co.,... ..	20 0 0	0 0 0
„ Patterson and Co., ... ..	16 0 0	0 0 0
The Revd. J. W. Pratt, ... ..	10 0 0	0 0 0
Messrs. G. Pehmoler and Co., ... ..	0 0 0	50 0 0
„ Peel, Bellairs and Co., ... ..	60 0 0	0 0 0
W. Ritchie, Esq., ... ..	50 0 0	0 0 0
Captain Divie Robertson,... ..	0 0 0	50 0 0
Messrs. Robinson, Balfour and Co., ...	100 0 0	0 0 0
„ Smith, Farie and Co.,... ..	25 0 0	0 0 0
C. E. Swinhoe, Esq., ... ..	100 0 0	0 0 0
• Captain T. E. Rogers, ... ..	12 0 0	0 0 0
J. Simpson, Esq., ... ..	0 0 0	5 0 0
T. Sweetland, Esq., through Messrs. }	50 0 0	0 0 0
Hamilton and Co., ... .. }	10 0 0	0 0 0
Messrs. Turner, Cadogan and Co., .....	50 0 0	0 0 0
The Revd. Henry Thomas,... ..	50 0 0	0 0 0
Messrs. J. and R. Watson and Co., ...	25 0 0	0 0 0
„ Watson and Co.,... ..	20 0 0	0 0 0
H. Woodrow, Esq., ... ..		
Amount of Subscriptions,.....	.....	1040 0 0
	.....	2569 0 0
Total Subscriptions and Donations,...	.....	3609 0 0

*Abstract of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Calcutta Sailor's Home for the year 1853.*

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
To Board, Bar, Fees on Cashing Notes, and for Shipping the Men, .....	18,503 14 3	By Impress Notes, .....	31,202 12 0
" Impress Notes, .....	29,019 0 0	" Bazar, Wine and Beer, .....	11,515 0 3
" Subscriptions for the year, .....	2,569 0 0	" Establishment, .....	3,133 1 6
" Donations for ditto, .....	1,040 0 0	" Printing, Advertisements, &c., .....	73 10 0
" Contribution for House Rent received from Government, .....	3,609 0 0	" Funeral Expenses, .....	38 0 0
" Proceeds of sundry effects sold, .....	1,100 0 0	" Spirit Licences, .....	191 10 6
" Godown Rent collected, .....	80 15 0	" House Rent, .....	3,150 0 0
Sums received applicable to the year 1852, viz.,	695 0 0	" Less Month's Rent allowed during repairs, .....	350 0 0
		" Paid Shipwrecked and Distressed Seamen relieved, .....	2,800 0 0
To Impress Notes, .....	1,527 0 0	" Proceeds of effects refunded, .....	940 1 6
" Proceeds of Bar, .....	29 1 0	" Payment made applicable to the year 1852, viz., By Bazar, .....	10 0 0
" House Rent from Government, .....	100 0 0	" Establishment, .....	913 13 3
" Godown Rent, .....	151 7 0	" Home Rent, .....	264 0 0
" Balance in Secretary's hands, on 31st December, 1852, ...	1,807 8 0	" Printing, .....	2,450 0 0
" Ditto in Bank of Bengal at ditto, ..	1,605 2 11	" Funeral Expenses, .....	35 0 0
		" Balance in Secretary's hands on the 31st December, 1853, ..	28 8 0
		" Ditto in Bank of Bengal, ...	3,691 5 3
			2,404 15 9
			419 15 5
			2,924 15 2
			56,420 8 2
			56,420 8 2

*Statement of Impress or Advance Notes Cashied by the Home in 1853.*

Of the Impress Notes of 1852, there remained uncollected at the end of the year, .....	1,679 8 0	Of the Impress Notes of 1852, as per Contra there have been collected .....	1,527 0 0
The Total Impress Notes numbering 763 cashied in 1853, amount to, .....	31,202 12 0	And of those of 1853, .....	29,019 0 0
Error in Cash Book on 7th October 1853, .....	10 0 0		<u>30,546 0 0</u>
		The Loss by Impress Notes in 1853, is, 956 4 0	
		And on 31st December 1853, there remained outstanding of the Impress Notes of 1852, .....	152 8 0
		Ditto of 1853, .....	1,237 8 0
	<u>Rupees ..... 32,892 4 0</u>		<u>2,346 6 0</u>
		Rupees .....	<u>32,892 4 0</u>

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*Statement of Deposits made by Innates of the Home in the year 1853.*

Balance of the Deposits of 1852, .....	2,963 6 6	Taken to or remitted to Europe, by the Depositors, .....	44,182 1 3
Amount of Deposits made by Officers and Men in 1853, .....	98,091 4 3	Drawn out by the Depositors before leaving Calcutta, .....	52,235 0 9
		Balance in the hands of the Superintendent on 31st December 1853, .....	4,637 8 9
	<u>Rupees ..... 1,01,054 10 9</u>		<u>Rupees ..... 1,01,045 19 9</u>

# No. 4.

## UNADJUSTED.

*On 31st December 1853, the following sums were Receivable and Payable by the Home, viz.*

RECEIVABLE.	PAYABLE.
Balance in the hands of the	For Bazar Wine, &c., of the above date, 1,438 3 9
Secretary the above date	For Establishment, ..... 272 0 0
as per Cash Book, ... 2,404 15 9	For Printing, ..... 99 2 0
Balance in Bank of Bengal, 419 15 5	For House Rent for October, November, December, ..... 1,050 0 0
Impress Notes, ..... 2,824 15 2	Balance in favor of the Home, ..... 1,670 12 5
Proceeds of Bar, ..... 1,237 8 0	
Ditto of Sundry Effects Sold, ..... 194 7 0	
Godown Rent for Novr. and Decr., ..... 38 4 0	
Contribution for House Rent from Government, for December, ..... 135 0 0	
100 0 0	
Rupees ..... 4,530 2 2	Rupees ..... 4,530 2 2



**TRAVELLING DIRECTIONS**  
**TAKEN FROM THE**  
**DARJEELING GUIDE.**



# **TRAVELLING DIRECTIONS.**

**DAWK AND RIVER ROUTES;**

**LIST OF STAGING BUNGALOWS;**

**COST AND TIME OF TRAVELLING;**

**EXPENSE OF DAWK AND BOATS**

**AND**

**INFORMATION AND ADVICE**

**ON DOMESTIC AFFAIRS**

**TO THOSE TRAVELLING BY WATER.**

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# TRAVELLING DIRECTIONS.

Any of the following routes from Calcutta to Darjeeling may be adopted according to circumstances.

A route is also annexed for visitors from the Upper Provinces of Bengal.

## I.—DAWK ROUTE FROM CALCUTTA.—NEW ROAD.

1. Lay the dawk in Calcutta; so as to travel from Calcutta *viâ* Barraset, Kishnagur, Berhampore, Bergatcha, Parbuttypore, Denagepore and Titalya, by the new Road. *Vide Tables No. VIII to XIII.*

N. B.—Travellers are strongly recommended not to overload their palankeens either inside or out. The banghy burdars can always keep pace with the palankeens, and travellers can employ as many as they please to pay for.

2. Travellers who are in haste, and are not afraid of the sun, may lay their dawks according to Table XII direct to Darjeeling, travelling day and night, and reach their destination in five days, say one hundred and twenty hours; equal to about three miles per hour; which includes stoppages at bungalows for refreshment—one hour at each bungalow.

3. Travellers, who are not in *very* great haste, are recommended to abide by the programmes of dawk routes, Nos. VIII, IX or X; which occupy six, seven, eight, or nine days; the latter routes allowing stoppages of several hours during the heat of each day and two days to ascend the hills instead of one.

4. Invalids and all prudent travellers, in the rains, say June to October inclusive, are recommended to travel by the routes No. IX or X.

## II.—MIXED ROUTE.—RIVER AND NEW ROAD.

1. Proceed either in the Government steamer, or a hired pinnace or budgerow, or beaulah, to Rampore Beaulah, if *viâ* the Sunderbunds or the Jellinghy; or to Berhampore, if *viâ* the Bhaugerutty; at either of which places the traveller may disembark; or he may push on to Bergatcha, on the north bank of the Ganges and East bank of the Mahanunda, and proceed dawk, as detailed above; or he may march up (by far the pleasantest plan from November to March, inclusive,) stopping at the following places, where bungalows have been erected by the Government.

N. B. If the traveller wishes to proceed dawk, after disembarking at Rampore Beaulah, or Berhampore, or Bergatcha, as the case may be, it will be necessary, either before departure from Calcutta, through the General Post Office, or, at all events, before arrival at Rampore Beaulah, or Berhampore, as the case may be, to give due notice and make due remittance to the Post Masters at either of those stations, who will require five days' notice for one set, or ten days for two sets of bearers.

Bergatcha is on the north bank of the Ganges; it is distant from Beaulah, sixteen miles, and from Berhampore 30 miles. There is a Government bungalow.

Parbuttypore (35 miles); A good Government Bungalow.

Bishnapore (27 miles); ditto.

DENAGEPORE (28 miles); ditto.

Prawnuggur (Chowpikureh) (25 miles); ditto.

Rooyah (Gunnymoispora) (22 miles); ditto.

**TITALYA** (25 miles) on the east bank of the Mahanunda, where there is a good Government bungalow.

**Silligorie** (16 miles); still on the bank of the Mahanunda, where there is a good Government bungalow. The traveller will there cross the river (a little before sunrise is the best time) and go through the terai, to

**Punkabarree** (16 miles—elevation 1,600 feet) the first station in the hills, where there is a good Government bungalow.

**KURSION** (distance 6 miles—elevation 4,500 feet). Here there is a comfortable Government bungalow, and travellers will be generally inclined to make some stay, according to circumstances. This station, in the winter months, is perhaps preferable to Darjeeling, especially to those who do not like the thermometer lower than 45° or 50°. In fine weather, there is a beautiful view of the plains from the Bungalow. There is good shooting too, for persons strong enough in health to take the requisite exercise.

**Puchem**, 14 miles further up (elevation 7,000 feet), is a Government bungalow, built in imitation of the Bhotiah houses of the better sort, with the addition of glass windows and doors, (a new Bungalow, 2 or 3 miles lower down, is in course of construction).

**DARJEELING**, (elevation 7,200 feet) 9 miles distant; the road is nearly level and in good order. There is a bungalow; also houses to let, &c.

### III.—ROUTES FROM THE UPPER PROVINCES.

Parties from the Upper Provinces, by dāk, should address the Post Masters at Bhagulpore or Purneah, requesting them to lay dawks to Titalya or to Darjeeling direct as may be desired.

Those proceeding by water, will ascend the Mahanunda *via* Malda and from thence the Purnababāh to Denagepore or continue up the Mahanunda to Titalya as they may please.

*N. B. Travellers should not forget to take palankeens with them.*

### IV.—A ROUTE BY WATER FROM CALCUTTA:

*Viâ Denagepore and from thence by Dawk.*

Proceed in a pinnace, or in a light budgerow or commodious Beaulah, according to season, up the Bhagerutty River viâ Berhampore; cross the Ganges and enter the Mahanunda at Turteepore. Proceed up the Mahanunda until a little below Malda, where the boat will enter the Purnababāh (Denagepore River) at a place called Lemuchie and proceed up as far it can.

If the snows have melted or rain has fallen recently, the boat, if a light one, may go up to Denagepore; but this is uncertain except in the rains; and in the dry season,\* it is better to stop at Nalagola, thirty miles short of Denagepore, where dawks can be waiting, if previously ordered.

\* Before engaging a boat, in the dry season, the traveller is recommended to consult the Supt.'s Weekly Report of the state of the Rivers, published in all the papers, and he will then be able to suit his boat to the depth of water, which varies throughout the year. The depth of water in the Nuddea Rivers is abundant during the rains; but some of the Rivers are closed, and others have only a few inches in March, April and May.

Nalagola to Denagepore may be done easily by one set of bearers—resting once or twice for an hour; if the journey is performed during a fine moonlight night, so much the better.

From Denagepore start about 2 or 3 p. m., travel all night with regular reliefs of bearers, and arrive at Titalya about 2 or 3 o'clock. Rest that day at Titalya and start in the evening or night to the Silligorie bungalow, on the East bank of the Mahanunda; sixteen miles from Titalya, where you will arrive in 5 or 6 hours.

Start from Silligorie at 6 a. m., cross the terai (twelve miles) to the foot of the hills; ascend them (four miles) to Punkabarree, where breakfast; rest an hour or two and proceed on to Kursion (six miles), about 2 or 3 p. m. either on ponies, or in chairs, as may be arranged.

Stop at Kursion that night and a day or two longer, as may be necessary or desirable. Then proceed on to Darjeeling (twenty-three miles), in jumpans or chairs, or on ponies, as may suit the traveller, taking care, in the former case, to start not later than 7 a. m., so as to reach Darjeeling before it is dark. If the traveller does not reach the Puchem Bungalow, which is 14 miles from Kursion, before 2 p. m., and desires to take refreshment, the traveller (if a lady especially) had better remain there all night and start for Darjeeling early the next morning.


## V.—ANOTHER ROUTE, BY WATER, FROM CALCUTTA

### *To Titalya viâ Malda.*

In the rains, travellers may proceed up the Mahanunda, passing Malda to Kissengunge. Time from Calcutta, about three weeks.\* In the months of February, March, April and May, until the rains commence, there is, however, but little water in the river above Dololgunge, which is 14 miles short of Kissengunge. From Kissengunge to Titalya is about 40 miles.

Before embarking, travellers, by this route, should write to Titalya, apprising the Post Master there, of the time of departure and description of conveyance wanted at the place of disembarkation.† Repeat this from Malda to prevent mistakes. There is a bungalow at Kissengunge, but none at present at Dololgunge which is distant from Titalya about fifty miles by land.

On arrival at Titalya—*vide supra*.

 It will be desirable to take servants, crockery, glass and cutlery, if a bungalow be hired; but necessary furniture will be found in the houses; and stores are procurable on the spot.

*N. B.*—Do not forget to take palankeens with you; or to have them in waiting at the place where you disembark.

* Memo. Calcutta to Berhampore, say ..	.....	.....	.....	7 days.
Berhampore to Malda ..	.....	.....	.....	7 "
Malda to Dololgunge ..	.....	.....	.....	7 "
Dololgunge to Kissengunge ..	.....	.....	.....	2 "



and in the rains very light boats can get quite up to Titalya in two or three days more.


† It is necessary to remit a Treasury order on the Superintendent of Darjeeling, a month before the traveller starts, as it takes some time to realize the money, until when the Post Master cannot make advances to bearers, coolies, &c., which must be done a week or ten days before they are required, or their services may not be obtained at the desired time.

## VI.—A ROUTE BY STEAMER :

*Via Sunderbuns and Beaulah, and from thence by Dawk.*

Go in a Steamer to Rampore Beaulah, where you will arrive, in about six days, more or less ; when you disembark, you are recommended to attend to the following Table of Stages to Darjeeling.

	Distance in miles.	Hours Performing distances.	Miles per hour.
Leave Beaulah by Dawk about .....	4 p. m.		
Reach Parbuttypore Bungalow.....	9 a. m.	52	17
Leave again.....	4 p. m.		3
Reach Dinagepore.....	11 a. m.	56	19
Leave again.....	3 p. m.		3
Reach Titilya.....	3 p. m.	72	24
<p> There are six good Government bungalows on this road, between Beaulah and Titilya, where rest and refreshment may be had. (Vide List of Bungalows.)</p>			
Leave Titilya.....	at 10 p. m.		
Reach Silligorie Govt. Dawk Bungalow..	4 a. m.	16	6
<p> Here take slight refreshment and start again.</p>			
Leave the Bungalow about sunrise, say.....	6 a. m.		
Reach Punkabarree.....	about noon	16	6
Rest and refresh and leave Punkabarree .....	3 p. m.		3
Arrive at Kursion to dinner.....	5 p. m.	6	3
Remain there during pleasure or until the bearers are ready to take you on to Darjeeling,.....		23	11
Total miles of Dawk Travelling	241½	102	

 When you leave Kursion, it should be early in the morning, so that you may arrive at Darjeeling in good time, say 5 p. m., stopping at the Pacheem Bungalow (fourteen miles from Kursion and nine miles from Darjeeling) about an hour for rest or refreshment ; or, in case of bad weather or fatigue, sleep there and go on in the morning.

\*. Do not forget to write to the Post Master at Beaulah, before leaving Calcutta, with a Treasury order to cover dawk expenses, &c.

## VII.—ANOTHER ROUTE BY STEAMER

*To Rajmahal, or Bhaugulpore, and then across Purneah to Titalya, &c.*

Go in a Steamer to either of the above places; drop down from thence in a boat to Caragola Ghaut\* or rather to Kantenuggur Creek, where there is a Dawk Bungalow about two miles inland. From thence get on to Purneah, where there is a dawk Bungalow [part of a Public Building] and a Post Master, who will (if due previous notice has been given) lay a dawk from Caragola to Kissengunge and Titalya, from whence the traveller can go on to Punkabarree, where chairs or ponies should be waiting, to take the traveller up to Darjeeling.

Going thus, by easy stages, the Traveller will find Bungalows all along the road at convenient distances, one a day, viz.

Day.			
1 +		to Kantenuggur....	(by water) hours
2	Kantenuggur to	Purneah.....	32 miles
3	Purneah to	Kissengunge.....	40 "
4	Kissengunge to	{ Titalya.....	40 "
		{ Silligori .....	16 "
5 +	Silligorie to	{ Punkabarree.....	16 "
		{ Kursion.....	6 "
6 +	Kursion to	{ Pucheem.....	14 "
		{ Darjeeling.....	9 "

The stages marked with a cross must be travelled in the day time; say start at 6 A. M., but all the others should commence at about 4 P. M. Take tea or coffee and a biscuit at Silligorie nothing more or less. Breakfast at Punkabarree; leave again at 2 P. M. (not sooner) dine and sleep at Kursion; start at good time in the morning, say 7 A. M. from Kursion or you may be benighted, before you reach Darjeeling, if you travel in a chair. On horseback 9 o'clock is early enough to start.

\* Many years ago the Ganges ran under the village of Caragola and on that account a dāk monshee was stationed there; but after the river threw a chur there, no alteration was made: the dāk office remains at Caragola, though the ghaut is at Kantenuggur, a koss and half east of the dāk Bungalow. I would propose that a small shed be built at the ghaut, and palkees and bearers be ordered to wait there for passengers landed from steamers. Travellers have repeatedly been landed at the ghaut and been obliged to walk up to Caragola before they would get their bearers and palkee. The banks of the Ganges directly south of the dāk bungalow are steep; the rapidity of the current at the height of the inundation and the shallows there, when the river is low, prevent a ghaut being made, besides two nullahs cross the chur between the dāk bungalow and the Ganges. The dāk bungalow has been built on the only high spot near the ghaut—the rest of the country remains under water for about a month.

The dāk office (where the Steam agent also remains) is at Caragola, an arrangement very troublesome for travellers to get a letter or send one to the dāk office, as they are obliged to put too till a servant can go and come. From the ghaut to the dāk office is nearly 2 miles. It would be a great convenience if these offices could be nearer the ghaut say in the village of Kantenuggur.

## VIII—ORDINARY DAWK ROUTE.

## CALCUTTA TO DARJEELING.

*(Stopping at Titilya.)*

## IN THE COLD OR DRY SEASON.

				hours.	days.
Leave Calcutta.....	3 p. m.	reach Kishnaghur..	11 a. m.	20	1
„ Kishnaghur..	4 p. m.	„ Berhampore ..	10 a. m.	54	1
„ Berhampore..	2 p. m.	„ Parbuttypore..	noon	64	1
„ Parbuttypore ..	4 p. m.	„ Denagapore..	11 a. m.	19	1
Denagapore..	2 p. m.	„ Titilya..	2 p. m.	24	1
Titilya.....	10 p. m.	„ Silligorie..	4 a. m.	5	1
Silligorie.....	6 a. m.	„ Punkabarree....	10 a. m.	5	1
Punkabarree....	2 p. m.	„ Kursion.....	4 p. m.	2	1
Kursion.....	7 a. m.	„ Darjeeling..	3 p. m.	8	1
Total. 370				123	8

N. B.—\* In the rains (i. e. June to October) this must be divided into two stages, as it takes 12 or 14 hours to cross the Ganges sometimes, at this season, vide Table X.

## FROM DARJEELING TO CALCUTTA.

*Via Titilya.*

				miles	hours	days.
Leave Darjeeling..	7 a. m.	reach Kursion.....	3 p. m.	23	8	1
„ Kursion.....	3 p. m.	„ Punkabarree..	5 p. m.	6	2	1
„ Punkabarree.....	6 a. m.	„ Silligorie.....	12 a. m.	16	5	1
„ Silligorie.....	3 p. m.	„ Titilya.....	8 p. m.	16	5	1
„ Titilya.....	2 p. m.	„ Denagapore..	2 p. m.	72	24	1
„ Denagapore.....	4 p. m.	„ Parbuttypore..	11 a. m.	57	19	1
„ Parbuttypore..	3 p. m.	„ Berhampore ..	1 p. m.	64	22	1
„ Berhampore.....	4 p. m.	„ Kishnaghur..	10 a. m.	54	18	1
„ Kishnaghur..	3 p. m.	„ Calcutta.....	11 a. m.	62	20	1
Total. 370				123	8	

N. B.—\* Vide Note above.

 Actual travelling on the road 123 hours, equal to 5 days 3 hours.

N. B. The above calculations are made at the average rate of travelling for palankeens (3 miles per hour) in the plains or jaunpans in the hills. Those who ride from Punkabarree up or down the hills, will do that portion of the journey in about half the time above stated.

\*.\* The above tables give the average time—with ordinary bearers, and a palankeen of the usual weight. In bad weather, or with bad bearers, the time of actual travelling on the road may be extended to one hundred and thirty-six or even one hundred and forty-four hours; and in fine and cool weather, with good bearers, the time will come down to about one hundred and sixteen or one hundred and twenty hours; and if a portion of the road be travelled on horseback, as in the tables No. XII, XIII & XIV, the time will come down to about 105 hours, or less than 4½ days, actual travelling on the road.

## IX.—EASY DAWK ROUTE


## CALCUTTA TO DARJEELING.

*(Passing Titalya at Night.)*

IN THE COLD OR DRY SEASON.				miles.	hours.	days.	
Leave	Calcutta.....	3 p. m. reach	Kishnaghur.....	11 a. m.	69	20	1
"	Kishnaghur....	4 p. m. "	Berhampore.....	10 a. m.	54	18	1
"	Berhampore....	2 p. m. "	*Parbuttypore....	12 a. m.	64	22	1
"	Parbuttypore..	4 p. m. "	Denagepore.....	11 a. m.	57	19	1
"	Denagepore....	4 p. m. "	Rooyeah.....	8 a. m.	48	15	1
"	Rooyeah.....	3 p. m. "	Silligorie.....	5 a. m.	40	14	1
"	Silligorie....	6 a. m. "	Pankabarree....	10 a. m.	18	5	1
"	Pankabarree..	2 p. m. "	Kursion.....	4 p. m.	6	2	1
"	Kursion.....	7 a. m. "	Darjeeling.....	3 p. m.	23	8	1
N. B.—*Vide Note to Route VIII.				Total.	370	123	8

## FROM DARJEELING TO CALCUTTA

FROM DARJEELING TO CALCUTTA				miles.	hours.	days.	
Leave	Darjeeling....	9 a. m. reach	Kursion.....	5 p. m.	23	8	1
"	Kursion....	9 a. m. "	Punkabarree.....	11 a. m.	6	2	1
"	Punkabarree..	2 p. m. "	Silligorie.....	7 p. m.	16	5	1
"	Silligorie....	9 p. m. "	Rooyah.....	11 a. m.	40	14	
"	Rooyah.....	4 p. m. "	Denagepore.....	8 a. m.	48	15	1
"	Denagepore... 3 p. m. "	Parbuttypore.....	10 a. m.	57	19	1	1
"	Parbuttypore. 1 p. m. "	*Berhampore.....	11 a. m.	64	22	1	1
"	Berhampore.. 3 p. m. "	Kishnaghur.....	9 a. m.	54	18	1	1
"	Kishnaghur.. 2 p. m. "	Calcutta.....	10 a. m.	62	20	1	1
N. B.—*Vide Note to Route VIII.				Total.	370	123	8

 Rest and refreshment 1 day 20 hours=6 hours daily.

N. B. The traveller will, ordinarily, from October to June, reach the Ganges 7 hours after leaving Berhampore; and the bearers ought to *cross the chur*, which can be done in 3 hours, to the opposite bank of the Ganges; but in the rains the boatmen take 10 or 12 hours to carry a palkee round the chur, and this will cause a derangement of the Dawk and perhaps demurrage—unless this stage is divided into two, stopping at Bergatcha for the 1st day and going on to Parbuttypore in the afternoon.

Take tea or coffee and a biscuit at Silligorie nothing more or less.

Breakfast or Tiffin at Punkabarree—Leave again at 2 p. m. (not sooner)

Dine and sleep at Kursion.

The traveller should start at good time in the morning, say 7 a. m. from Kursion, or he may be benighted, before he reaches Darjeeling, if he travels in a chair. On horseback, 9 o'clock is early enough to start, even allowing an hour for rest and refreshment at the Pucheem Bungalow, situated 14 miles from Kursion and 9 from Darjeeling. The traveller should not, however, leave Pucheem (except a man on pony back) after 3 p. m. or he may be benighted.



## X.—VERY EASY DAWK ROUTE.

## CALCUTTA TO DARJEELING.

*(Recommended to Invalids.)*

From June to October inclusive, the delay in crossing the Ganges in very great (vide N. B. to Routes, VIII and IX) which with bad roads and worse bearings in Rajshye and Denagepore districts, often cause demurrage, as well as great inconvenience and unnecessary fatigue to the traveller. The following Route is therefore recommended, as absolutely necessary in the rains, and very advisable to Invalids and easy going travellers, in all weathers.

			Miles.	Hours.	Days.
Leave	Calcutta. ....	3 p. m. reach	Kishnagur.....	11 a. m.	62 20 1
"	Kishnagur.....	3 p. m.	Berhampore... ..	9 a. m.	54 18 1
"	Berhampore....	5 p. m.	Bergatcha*.. ..	4 a. m.	30 12 1
"	Bergatcha.....	5 p. m.	Parbuttypore... ..	5 a. m.	34 12 1
"	Parbuttypore....	3 p. m.	Denagepore... ..	10 a. m.	57 20 1
"	Denagepore.....	3 p. m.	Rooyah.. ..	9 a. m.	47 16 1
"	Rooyah. ....	4 p. m.	Silligorie.. ..	1 a. m.	41 14 1
"	Silligorie.. ..	6 a. m.	Punkabarree....	11 a. m.	16 5 1
"	Punkabarree....	2 p. m.	Kursion. ....	4 p. m.	6 2 1
"	Kursion.....	9 a. m.	Pucheem. ....	5 p. m.	14 7 1
"	Pucheem.....	9 a. m.	Darjeeling.. ..	1 p. m.	9 3 1
N. B. Going up hill, two hours extra.			Total.	370 129	9

## FROM DARJEELING TO CALCUTTA.

			Miles.	Hours.	Days.
Leave	Darjeeling... ..	9 a. m. reach	Kursion.... ..	5 p. m.	23 8 1
"	Kursion.... ..	9 a. m.	Punkabarree....	11 a. m.	6 2 1
"	Punkabarree... ..	2 p. m.	Silligorie.....	7 p. m.	16 5 1
"	Silligorie.....	9 p. m.	Rooyah.....	11 a. m.	41 14 1
"	Rooyah.. ....	4 p. m.	Denagepore... ..	8 a. m.	47 16 1
"	Denagepore....	3 p. m.	Parbuttypore... ..	10 a. m.	57 20 1
"	Parbuttypore... ..	1 p. m.	Bergatcha.. ..	5 a. m.	34 12 1
"	Bergatcha.. ..	5 p. m.	Berhampore... ..	5 a. m.	30 12 1
"	Berhampore....	3 p. m.	Kishnagur.. ..	8 a. m.	54 18 1
"	Kishnagur....	3 p. m.	Calcutta.....	11 a. m.	62 20 1
N. B. Coming down hill, two hours less.			Total.	370 127	9

\* If on arrival at Bogwangolah the weather is not favorable for crossing the Ganges, the traveller can rest at the Bogwangolah Dawk Bungalow, until it becomes favorable.—Ed.

N. B. The remarks following Tables VIII and IX are all applicable to this Route; which differs from the preceding only by dividing and reducing some of the daily stages,

**XI.—FORM OF LETTER  
TO THE DEPUTY POST MASTER GENERAL.**

[SUITABLE FOR ALL ROUTES.]

**As Invalids and others, on desiring to lay a Dawk for Darjeeling, are sometimes in doubt how to address the Post Office for that purpose, the following form is subjoined.**

**" TO THE DEPUTY POST MASTER GENERAL.**

**Calcutta.**

" Sir,

" I shall feel obliged if you will be good enough to order a daw (or two dawks) to be laid for me from hence to Darjeeling (or Titalya, or Punka-barree, as the case maybe) viâ Barraset, Kishnaghur, &c.

**" I require      Bearers,      Banghy Burdars and      Mussalchees.**

“ To leave Calcutta at 3 p. m. on       day the       instant, and to progress as  
stated on the other side ; allowing six days from the present date for the neces-  
sary Notices to be sent out to the Mofussil Post Offices.

**I am, Sir,**

**Your obedient servant,**

" Calcutta (or elsewhere)  
day of 185 ."

## DAWK FROM CALCUTTA TO DARJEELING.

**(Here copy out the route intended to be followed.)**

Or say "Vide No.                      page                      of the DARJEELING GUIDE, TRAV-  
ELLING DIRECTIONS, *third Edition* 1852, page                      ."

## XII.—ACTUAL ROUTE FROM CALCUTTA TO DARJEELING.

*Travelled in September, 1845.*

The following is an accurate statement of an actual journey from Calcutta to Darjeeling, detailing the names of the several stages, with the hour of arrival and departure, the distance of each stage and the time consumed in travelling.

The journey was performed by Palkee Dawk from Calcutta to Punkabarree and on horseback from Punkabarree to Darjeeling.

Stations.	Arrived.	Miles.	Hours	Rate ms. per hour.	Left.	Remarks.
Calcutta,...		—	—	—	2½ p. m.	
Angurparah,.....	5 p. m.	9	2½	3½	5	"
Geretty,.....	7½ "	9	2½	3½	7½	"
Hooghly,.....	11½ "	8	3½	2	11½	"
Noysurroy,...	2½ a. m.	8	2½	3	2½	a. m.
Inchurub,.....	5½ "	8	3	2½	5½	"
Santipore,.....	10½ "	8	4½	2½	10½	"
Kishnagar,.....	8 a. m.	12	9½	1½	9½	"
Bellea,.....	2½ "	9	4½	2	2½	p. m.
Bicrumpore, ..	5½ "	9	2½	3	5½	"
Meral,.....	8½ "	12	2½	3½	8½	"
Borwoah,....	2 a. m.	12	6	2	2½	a. m.
Berhampore, ..	6 "	12	3½	3	10½	"
Jeeagunge,.....	2½ p. m.	12	4	3	2½	p. m.
Hogwangolah, ..	5½ "	9	3	3	7½	"
Bergatcha,.....	4 p. m.	9	10½	not 1	8	p. m.
Digryne,.....	2½ a. m.	9	6½	1½	2½	a. m.
Nizam-pore, ..	6½ "	12	4	3	6½	"
Parbutty-pore, ..	11½ "	13	5	2½	3	p. m.
Pooraa Haut,....	6½ p. m.	12	3½	4	6½	"
Kunjun-pore, ..	12 "	11	5½	2	12	"
Kyrate, .....	5½ a. m.	11	5½	2	5½	a. m.
Pran Sagur,...	10½ "	11	4½	2½	10½	"
Denage-pore, ..	4½ p. m.	12	6	2½	5½	p. m.
Kantenuggur, ..	10½ "	13	5½	2½	10½	"
Prannuggur, ..	4½ a. m.	12	6	2	4½	a. m.
Nechintapore, ..	9½ "	12	5	2½	9½	"
Rooyah,.....	2 p. m.	10	4½	2½	4	p. m.
Futty-pore,....	8 "	11	3	3	8	"
Titalya,.....	3½ a. m.	14	7½	2	11½	a. m.
Silligorie, ..	6½ "	16	6½	2½	7	a. m.
Punkabarree, ..	3 p. m.	16	8	2	3½	p. m.
Kursion,.....	6 "	6	2½	2½	7	a. m.
Pucheem,.....	11½ a. m.	14	3	5	1	p. m.
Darjeeling,...	4 p. m.	9	3	3		
		370	163			

☞ If intending travellers would communicate with the Publishers—and even twelve names given at 120 Rs. each, it is probable that a carriage Dawk could be established between Bergatcha and Silligorie, from 1st March to 31st December.,

## XIII.—ACTUAL ROUTE FROM DARJEELING TO CALCUTTA.

*Travelled in November, 1844.*

The following is an accurate statement of an actual journey from Darjeeling to Calcutta, detailing the names of the several stage, with the hour of arrival and departure, the distance of each stage and the time consumed in travelling.

The journey was performed, by a heavy man, on horseback, from Darjeeling to Silligorie and from thence by Palkee Dawk to Calcutta.

Stations.	Arrived.	Miles	Hours	Left.	Rate ms. per hour	Remarks.
Darjeeling,...	—	—	—	9 a. m.	Slowest rate 2 miles per hour, — Fastest 4½ miles per hour—Average 3½ miles per hour.	The time actually consumed in travelling, on the road, being, as detailed above, only 10½ hours, or something less than 4½ days; the traveller is enabled to stay, the greater part of a day at Kurseon; the same at Titilya, at Denagepore, at Berhampore and at Kishnagur respectively, and yet be in Calcutta within a week without much exposure to the Sun.
Pucheem,...	10½ a. m.	9	1½	11½ "		
Kurseon,...	2 p. m.	14	2½	2 p. m.		
Punkabarree,...	3 "	6	1	4 p. m.		
Silligorie,...	5 "	16	2	7 "		
Titilya,...	11 "	16	4	2½ p. m.		
Futtypore,...	6½ p. m.	14	4½	6 "		
Hooyah,...	10 p. m.	11	3	10½ "		
Nechintapore,...	1½ a. m.	10	3½	2 a. m.		
Prannuggur,...	5½ "	12	3½	5½ a. m.		
Kantenuggur,...	9½ "	12	3½	9½ "		
Denagepore,...	2 p. m.	13	4½	1½ p. m.		
Pran Sagur,...	5 "	12	3	5½ "		
Kyrata,...	8½ "	11	3	8½ "		
Kunjunpore,...	11½ "	11	3½	11½ "		
Poorsa Haut,...	4 a. m.	12	4½	4 a. m.		
Parbuttypore,...	7 "	12	3	11 "		
Nizampore,...	3 p. m.	13	4	5 p. m.		
Diggryne,...	8½ "	12	3½	9½ "		
Berwâtcha,...	12½ "	9	3	2 a. m.		
Bozwangolah,...	5 a. m.	9	3	5 "		
Jeeagunge,...	7½ "	0	2½	7½ "		
Berhampore,...	11 "	12	3½	4½ p. m.		
Borwoah,...	7½ p. m.	12	3	7½ "		
Merai,...	11½ "	12	3½	11½ "		
Bicrumpore,...	2½ a. m.	12	3½	2 a. m.		
Bellea,...	4½ "	9	2½	4½ "		
Kishnagur,...	8 "	9	3½	11½ "		
Santipore,...	3½ p. m.	12	3½	3½ p. m.		
Inchurrah,...	6½ "	8	3	6½ "		
Noyanroy,...	9½ "	8	3	9½ "		
Hoochly,...	11½ "	8	2	11½ "		
Geretty,...	1½ a. m.	8	2½	1 a. m.		
Augurparah,...	5 "	9	3½	5 "		
Calcutta,...	8½ "	9	3½	—		
		370	105½			

1845 We have seen an approximate estimate of the cost, and probable receipts which would attend the establishment of a palkee carriage conveyance, twice a week up and twice down between Barrackpoor and Punkabarree, from which it appears feasible to take passengers at the rate of six miles per hour—less the crossing the Ganges—for about two hundred rupees each, per trip.

## XIV.

## LIST OF DAWK STAGES FROM CALCUTTA TO DARJEELING.]

<i>Under what Post Office.</i>	<i>No of Stages.</i>	<i>Names of Stages.</i>	<i>Between each Stage.</i>	<i>Between each Station</i>	<i>Distance from Calcutta.</i>	<i>Distance from Darjeeling.</i>
CALCUTTA. . .	1	Barraset, . . . . .	14			
	2	Amdanga. . . . .	8			
	3	Jagoolee. . . . .	8			
	4	Duncha. . . . .	8			
	5	Ranaghat . . . . .	8			
KISHNAGUR. . .	6	Badoola. . . . .	8			
	7	Kishnagur. . . . .	12	62	62	309
	8	Bellea. . . . .	9			
	9	Bicrumpore. . . . .	9			
	10	Mera. . . . .	12			
BERHAMPORE	11	Borwoah. . . . .	12			
	12	Berhampore. . . . .	12	54	116	255
	13	Jeeagunge. . . . .	12			
	14	Bogwangolah. . . . .	9			
	15	Bergatcha. . . . .	9			
BEAULEAH. . .	16	Diggryne. . . . .	9			
	17	Nizampore. . . . .	12			
	18	Parhuttypore. . . . .	13	64	180	189
	19	Poorsah Haut. . . . .	12			
	20	Kunjunpore. . . . .	11			
DENAGEPORE	21	Kyrata. . . . .	11			
	22	Pran Sagur. . . . .	11			
	23	Denagepore. . . . .	12	57	237	133
	24	Kantenuggur. . . . .	13			
	25	Prannuggur*. . . . .	12			
TITALYA. . . . .	26	Nechintapore. . . . .	12			
	27	Rooyah†. . . . .	10	47	284	86
	28	Futtehpore. . . . .	11			
	29	Titalya. . . . .	14			
	30	Silligorie. . . . .	16	41	325	
DARJEELING.	31	Punkabarree. . . . .	16			
	32	Kursion. . . . .	6	22	347	23
	33	Mahulderam. . . . .	6			
	34	Pucbeam. . . . .	8			
	35	Darjeeling. . . . .	0	23	370	—

\* Also called Chowpokareah.

† Also called Gunnymoisnore.

## XV.

## LIST OF DAWK STAGES FROM DARJEELING TO CALCUTTA.

<i>Under what Post Office.</i>	<i>No. of Stage.</i>	<i>Names of Stages.</i>	<i>Between each Stage.</i>	<i>Between each Station.</i>	<i>Distance from Darjeeling</i>	<i>Distance from Calcutta.</i>
DARJEELING	1	Puchem, . . . .	9			
	2	Mahulderam, .	8			
	3	Kursion, . . . .	6			
	4	Punkaharree, .	6	29	29	341
TITALYA.....	5	Silligorie, . . .	16			
	6	Titalya, . . . .	16			
	7	Fattelpore, . . .	14			
	8	Rooyah,*, . . .	11	57	86	284
DENAGEPORE	9	Neehintapore, .	10			
	10	Pramuggur,† .	12			
	11	Kantenugur, .	12			
	12	Denagepore, . .	13	47	133	237
	13	Pran Sagur, . .	12			
	14	Kyrata, . . . .	11			
BEAULEAH...	15	Kunjunpore, . .	11			
	16	Poorsah Haut, .	11			
	17	Parbuttypore, .	12	57	190	180
	18	Nizampur, . . .	13			
	19	Diggryne, . . .	12			
BERHAMPORE	20	Bergatcha, . . .	9			
	21	Bogwangolah, .	9			
	22	Jeeaugunge, . .	9			
	23	Berhampore, . .	12	64	254	116
	24	Borwoah, . . . .	12			
KISHNAGUR..	25	Meral, . . . . .	12			
	26	Bicrumpore, . .	12			
	27	Bellea, . . . . .	9			
	28	Kishnagur, . .	9	54	308	62
	29	Badoola, . . . .	8			
CALCUTTA...	30	Ranaghat, . . .	8			
	31	Duncha, . . . .	8			
	32	Jagoolee, . . . .	8			
	33	Andangah, . . .	8			
	34	Barraset, . . . .	8			
	35	Calcutta, . . . .	14	62	370	—

\* Also called Gunnymoisporc.

† Also called Chowpokareah.

## GOVERNMENT STAGING BUNGALOWS.

BETWEEN CALCUTTA AND DARJEELING.

Number.	STAGES FROM CALCUTTA TO	Distance in miles.			Description.		REMARKS.
		Between each stage	From Calcutta.	From Darjeeling.	Walls.	Roof.	
1	Kishnagar...	62	62	308	brick	straw	portion of a Barrack
2	Berhampore ..	54	116	254	brick	pucka	
3	Houwangola ..	21	137	233	brick	straw	
	<i>The Ganges.</i>						
4	Bergatcha. . .	9	146	224	brick	ditto	
5	Parbuttypore.	34	180	190	brick	ditto	* Called also Chowpokareah † Alias Gunnymoisnore
6	Bishnapore ..	30	210	160	brick	ditto	
7	Denagepore. .	27	237	133	brick	ditto	
8	Prawnuggur *	25	262	108	brick	ditto	
9	Rooyah†. . . .	23	285	85	brick	ditto	
10	Titalya. . . .	24	309	61	brick	ditto	
11	Silligorie. . .	16	325	45	brick	ditto	
12	Punkabarree. .	16	341	29	brick	bamboo	
13	Kurseon. . . .	6	347	23	brick	bamboo	
14	Puckeesm. . . .	14	361	9	wood	bamboo	
15	Darjeeling . .	9	370	—	.....	.....	

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

"Question appearing to exist that parties travelling by Government orders, or engaged in Government business, are entitled to occupy the Staging Bungalows free of charge :—

"Notice is hereby given, under orders received from Government, that no individual, under any plea or circumstance whatsoever, availing himself of the shelter and accommodation of such Bungalow, is exempted from paying the tax according to the Rules and Rates laid down.

"Officers whose travelling charges are defrayed by the State, are to pay the tax at the Bungalows they occupy, entering the expence as an incidental charge in the Bill which they may submit for their Dawk-Expenses.

(Signed.) L. J. H. GREY,

Camp Dinapore, June 9, 1843.

Offg. Post Master General.

## GOVERNMENT STAGING BUNGALOWS.

FROM THE GANGES TO DARJEELING.

No.		Distance between each Station.	From Calcutta.	From Darjeeling.
1.	Caragolah Ghaut*.....			
2.	Purneah.....	32	229	133
3.	Kissengunge.....	40	269	101
4.	Titalya.....	40	309	61
5.	Silligorie.....	16	325	45
6.	Punkabarree.....	16	341	29
7.	Kursion.....	6	347	23
8.	Pucheem.....	14	361	9
9.	Darjeeling.....	9	370	—

## GOVERNMENT BUNGALOW REGULATIONS.

A charge of one rupee is made on all travellers occupying the bungalow for any period of time, not exceeding twenty-four hours, and an additional rupee for any period of the successive twenty-four hours.

If two travellers, or two different parties or families, meet at any bungalow, each party is entitled to half the accommodation—no person or party being entitled to occupy the whole if any other party requires it, and when, from the absence of any other claimant, a party occupies the whole, they will have to pay for both portions.

A book is kept at every bungalow, in which it is required that individuals will insert their names and the amount paid to the servants in charge, in conformity with the above rules.

The Government Bungalows are fitted with two beds—two tables, four chairs—*nothing else*: they are under charge of the Post Masters of the division in which they are situated, and have an establishment of a bearer, a khitmutgar and a sweeper, but have no cooking or bathing room utensils, except such as may be supplied by the keeper of the Bungalow or be given by travellers or friends.

\* See note page 9.




## COST AND TIME OF TRAVELLING.

*(As given at the General Post Office).*

The following tabular statement gives the distance between the stations, and from the several stations to Darjeeling, and to Calcutta, (according to Post Office Regulations!) as well as the time consumed in dawk travelling, allowing the customary rate from Calcutta to Bogwangolah, three and half miles on hour, and from thence three miles an hour to Darjeeling.

Station.	Distance to next station.	Time con- sumed in tra- velling.	Distance to Darjeeling.	Time con- sumed in tra- velling to Dar- jeeling.	Distance from Calcutta.
	miles	hours	miles	hours	miles
Calcutta			372	117½	
Kishnagar	62	18	310	99½	62
Berhampore	54	16	256	84	116
Bogwangolah	21	6	233	77½	137
Bergatcha	9	3	226	75	146
Parbattyapore	36	12	192	63	182
Denagepore	56	19	135	45	238
Titallya	72	24	63	21	310
Punkaharree	32	11	30	10	342
Darjeeling	30	10			372
	372	119			

N. B. Caragola Ghuat to Purneah, 36 miles.

 Two dawks and two bhanghy huddars, at a time, can be laid from Calcutta to Darjeeling by the Post Master General, Calcutta, on giving him six days' notice in the dry season, and eight days' notice in the rainy season; and the same number from Darjeeling to Calcutta, by the Darjeeling Post Master, under similar notice. In consequence of the much greater difficulty experienced in procuring bearers during the rainy season, an additional charge, at the rate of one day's hire, is made in the Beaulah Division, at that season of the year.


## TIME AND EXPENSE OF BOATS.

[June, July and August are the best months for a River trip.]

The hire of a good pinnace or budgerow is about eight rupees per day, more or less, according to size and quality of boat: but by contract for the trip in medium boat, it would be say, from Calcutta, *viâ* the Bhagerutty—to

Berhampore, about.... (7 days) .....	Rs.	50	0	0
Malda..... (7 " ) .....	"	80	0	0
Dololgunge..... (7 " ) .....	"	120	0	0
Kissengunge..... (2 " ) .....	"	130	0	0
Titallya..... (2 " ) .....	"	140	0	0

The time will be more or less, 23 days from Calcutta to Kissengunge, according to the season of the year, the size of the boat, and the quantity of rain that may have fallen. The state of the rivers is announced weekly in the principal daily papers.

 The writer, in September 1846, made the above trip in a small pinnace, to Kissengunge in 22 days at a cost of 130 Rs.—another party, at the same time, made the same trip, but in a larger pinnace, which cost 160 Rs. but this pinnace could not get higher up than Dololgunge. It could have reached Kissengunge a month earlier—say in August—but July is the best month.

## EXPENSE OF DAWK.

*(As charged at the General Post Office).*

The expense of travelling by dawk from Calcutta to Darjeeling, with eight bearers, two banghy-burdars and two mussalchees,—say, three hundred and seventy two miles, for twelve men, at an average of ten annas and seven pie per mile, is two hundred and forty-six rupees and four annas.

Or, as follows :

372 miles at 8 ans. per mile for 12 men, being.....	Co.'s Rs.	186	0	0
Additional Charges, as below detailed,.....	"	58	14	0
Deposit, to meet demurrage.....	"	93	0	0
Postage.....	"	1	6	0
		339	4	0

## DEDUCTION.

Deposit, returnable, if no demurrage,.....	93	0	0
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Actual expense to Darjeeling, Rs. 246 4 0

## ADDITIONAL CHARGES.

*(Included in the above.)*

Posting Bearers from Bergatcha to Poorsa Haut,....	Co.'s Rs.	21	6	0
" " " Poorsa Haut to Denagapore,.....	"	10	8	0
" " " Denagapore to Titalya,.....	"	4	8	0
" " " Titalya to Darjeeling,.....	"	22	8	0
		Rs. 58	14	0

## DETAILED RATES OF CHARGE, PER MILE, FOR TWELVE MEN.

From	To	Distance. miles.	Charge. Rs. as. p.	REMARKS.
Calcutta,	Bergatcha,	146	0 8 0	
Bergatcha,	Poorsa Haut,	47	0 15 3	
Poorsa Haut,	Denagapore,	45	0 11 9	
Denagapore,	Titalya,	72	0 9 0	
Titalya,	Silligorie,	16	0 13 3	
Silligorie.....	Punkabarree,	16	0 13 3	
*Punkabarree..	Darjeeling	30	0 14 5	
		372		

\* Between Punkabarree and Darjeeling, only 10 men are required for a Dak ; the two Mussalchees can be omitted, and in doing so only 12 Annas per mile will be charged.

# INFORMATION AND ADVICE

## ON DOMESTIC AFFAIRS.

*To parties proceeding, by water, to Darjeeling.*

When you engage a pinnace (large or small according to your wants) inspect it carefully, and ascertain that the doors and windows will open and shut properly; and that the bolts, locks, and other fastenings are in good order. Broken glass windows should be repaired. Take up the boards of the deck and rouse out all the rats, mice and cockroaches and any other vermin you may find. Have the inner roof and sides of the boat carefully washed with soap, hot water, brushes, and flannel, to expel the ants that always abound; see that proper hooks are fixed to the ceiling of the bottle khannab, from which to suspend sugar, bread, meat, and other things liable to be attacked by ants. Ascertain that your boat has her full complement of Moosulman—not Hindoo—hands; and that the masts, yards, rigging, cables, and anchors, are complete and in good order.

The proper complement of hands for a ten oared pinnace is as follows: one serang, one tindal, one helmaman, one cook, and ten dandies. Be very careful that the number of dandies correspond with the size of the pinnace (one for each oar) as, otherwise, when you are obliged to *goon*, the animal power will be insufficient to move your pinnace quickly, as none but dandies can be spared for this duty; the other hands being required on board at their respective posts.

Be careful in selecting cook and baggage boats: see that they are sound; do not leak too much; have the proper number of Moosulmans, (middle aged men, not very old men or children) for *gooning*; and sound unbroken sails, instead of the tattered rags generally used for this purpose and which retard the progress of the pinnace to keep company with them. Particular attention should be paid to see that their rudders are in good order and properly secured.

Never pay, either the pinnace or other boat, in full for the trip; but always reserve one third or one fourth as security for good conduct; or as a fund from which to hire men to supply the place of deficient hands from whatever cause arising. The balance to be paid on arrival at destination\*.

Meat, poultry and petty stores may be obtained at Berhampore. (via Bhagerutty) bread also may be obtained there in any quantity required (or at Kishnaghur, or Beaulah via Jellinghee) and Maldah, at a few hours' notice. The bread should be put, while still hot, into warmed handies, the mouths of which should be secured so as to prevent the admission of the external

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\* It frequently happens that, before they have performed one half of the journey, the men declare they are starving and clamor for money; hence it is the more necessary to observe the above rule.—Ed.

air ; in this manner bread may be preserved in good condition for many days. It would be advisable also to cut some of the loaves into three portions, after they are baked, and toast them : these will last for a still longer time than the plain baked loaves.

Milk may occasionally be obtained at the villages you pass, but this occasions delay, and the milk is generally much smoked and sometimes rather sour. Two or three Jumnaparee (long eared) goats, if carefully fed with fresh grass and good gram, will better afford the needful supply.

Butter, like bread, may be obtained at Berhampore (or Kishnaghur, or Beaulah) and Maldah ; the water should be carefully expressed from it, and a small quantity of salt sprinkled over it.

Soda water affords a very useful and agreeable refreshment, as clean water is not always to be obtained or preserved fit for drinking, unless great care be taken.

It is recommended that parties travelling by water should eat about one half of their usual quantity of food ; and drink less than one quarter of their usual quantum of beer, wine and spirits ; and they should never neglect taking a walk when the pinnacle *lagows* in the evening, if the nature of the ground and the weather permit.



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